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SUBJ: CIVAIR - CAB PROPOSES LIBERALIZED CHARTER RULES

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1. PER REFTEL WE TRANSMITTED CAB PROPOSED LIBERALIZED
CHARTER RULES TO DANISH CIVAIR AUTHORITIES.

2. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING RESPONSE, WHICH
IS QUOTED IN ITS ENTIRETY:

"IN YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 20, 1977, YOU HAVE UN-
OFFICIALLY ASKED FOR OUR COMMENTS CONCERNING LIBERALIZED
CHARTER RULES.

"ON THE SAME UNOFFICIAL BASIS I CAN INFORM YOU THAT
THE DANISH CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES TAKE A VERY SERIOUS
VIEW OF THE WHOLE SITUATION IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC AIR
TRANSPORT MARKET. FOR QUITE SOME TIME THE PRICE LEVEL
OF THE REGULAR CARRIERS HAS IN VARIOUS WAYS BEEN RE-
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DUCED CONSIDERABLY IN A COMPLETELY UNCOORDINATED WAY.
IT IS OUR FEELING THAT OPERATIONS IN THE SCHEDULED
FIELD ARE NO LONGER COMMERCIALY ACCEPTABLE BUT CAR-
RIERS FIGHTING FOR REALISTIC PRICES ARE FORCED TIME
AND AGAIN IN ORDER TO PROTECT THEIR MARKETS TO REDUCE
THEIR PRICES EVEN FURTHER DUE TO UNILATERAL ACTION BY
COMPETITORS AND THE AUTHORITIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

I DO NOT THINK I AM GOING TOO FAR IN DESCRIBING THE
PREVAILING SITUATION AS ONE OF CUT-THROAT COMPETITION.

"THE NEW LIBERAL CAB-CHARTER CONCEPT DOES NOT
HELP TO SOLVE THIS BASIC PROBLEM. IT COULD IN MY VIEW
ONLY AGGRAVATE THE SITUATION EVEN MORE, AND OUR SUG-
GESTION WOULD BE THAT THE AUTHORITIES CONCERNED SHOULD
INSTEAD TACKLE THE REAL PROBLEM BY MAKING A DETERMINED
EFFORT TO STABILIZE THE PRICES OF ALL SCHEDULED CAR-
RIERS AT A REALISTIC LEVEL. THIS IN TURN WOULD THEN
SAFEGUARD THE INTEREST OF THE NON-SCHEDULED CARRIERS BY
ENABLING THEM TO DO PROFITABLE BUSINESS ON THE BASIS
OF THE CHARTER REGULATIONS IN FORCE UP TILL NOW.

"AS I SEE IT YOU ARE NOT PROTECTING THE INTERESTS
OF THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC BY CREATING A SITUATION, WHERE
THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF EFFICIENT OPERATORS ARE
SUSTAINING INCREASING ECONOMIC LOSSES IN THEIR NORTH
ATLANTIC OPERATIONS. THERE IS A LONG-RUN EFFECT TO
BE CONSIDERED TOO."
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